(c) whether any incriminatory documents/cash has been received during the raid and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) by when these are likely to be chargesheeted?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) Raids were conducted by the Central Bureau of Investigation on the premises of Shri D.P. Singh, Director and Shri Pyare Lal, the then Junior Engineer of Horticulture Department of Municipal Corporation of Delhi and three private persons in case No. RC 4(A)/204/AC-III registered on allegation of their involvement in a scam of about Rs. 20 crores in purchase of red sand stone benches (not tree guards).

(c) Incriminating documents and details of movable and immovable property were detected during the searches. As the case is still under investigation, it would not be in the interest of investigation to disclose details at this stage.

(d) No time frame can be fixed at this stage as the case is still under investigation.

Delay in deciding pension cases of NDMC employees

1358. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that lot of time is taken by New Delhi Municipal Council in deciding cases of pensions, gratuity, etc. of its employees who retire or die in harness;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the number of such cases still pending for payment of pension, gratuity etc. as on 30th November, 2004 for the last three months, six months and more than six months; and

(d) the steps taken to ensure that pension cases are settled expeditiously?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) and (b) The New Delhi Municipal Council has reported that all the dues in case of retiring employees are normally settled

well in advance and the cheques are delivered to the employees on the date of retirement itself. However, action for settlement of dues in case of death/voluntary retirement is initiated immediately on receipt of claim-documents from the nominee/dependent/employee.

(c) Seventy cases for payment of pension/gratuity are pending which include 9 cases pending for the last six months and 61 cases pending for more than six months. Out of 70 cases, 66 are death cases, 3 cases relate to compulsory retirement and 1 to normal superannuation.

(d) Action has been initiated to get the nomination forms of affected employees filled up to expedite release of pensionary benefits in cases of retirement/voluntary retirement/death.

Withdrawal of ITBP from Western and Northern IB

1359. SHRI TARINI KANTA ROY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) is being withdrawn from Western and Northern international borders of the country; and

(b) whether Government propose to deploy ITBP along the Indo-Nepal border ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

Strictures by Courts against Delhi Police

1360. SHRI M.A.M. RAMASWAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the different courts have come down heavily on Delhi Police for filing framed-up cases;

(b) if so, the details of such instances during the last three years;

(c) the action taken by Central Government against such officers; and